

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Attorney Docket No. SIR-MIS-00001-US-CIP[3])

IN THE APPLICATION OF:)
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 McSwiggen *et al.*)
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 Serial No.: 10/720,448) Examiner: BOWMAN, Amy
) Hudson
 Filed: November 24, 2003) Group Art Unit: 1635
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 Title RNA Interference Mediated) Confirmation No.: 4875
 Inhibition of Gene Expression)
 Using Chemically Modified)
 Short Interfering Nucleic Acid)
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Enclosed is an amendment and response to the Final Office Action mailed December 10, 2009. No fees are believed to be due; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith to Deposit Account No. 50-4615.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.